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Applicants: Kemin Zhou

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AMENDMENT/ RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed 09/22/2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the pending rejections and reexamination of the present application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Applicants respectfully petition for a 1-month extension of time within which to respond to the Office Action.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.